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## AT THE SITE OF A TRAGEDY

Tonja Beach is seen Wednesday just metres from where she held the hand of 56-year-old Wong Shuk Yee as she died after being struck by two vehicles in the intersection of Sandstone Drive and Berkshire Boulevard NW. That was in February 2013, but Beach said speed remains a concern on the busy stretch and her own dog was killed on that very road in November. On Wednesday, she received a reward from police Chief Rick Hanson for racing to Wong's aid. Story, page 4. JEREMY NOLAIS/METRO

# Head hits take a dive in Calgary peewee hockey

**Safety.** City ref says kids 'catch on real fast'

Penalties for brain-rattling hits to the head dropped precipitously in the first season body-checking was outlawed at Calgary's peewee level.

Amateur Calgary players were banished to the sin bin 274 times in 633 games for illegal head contact during the 2013-14 campaign — down from 785 incidents.

The head of Hockey Calgary was pleased by the nearly 65 per cent decline from the previous year, although he suggested there's still work to do in cleaning up Canada's favourite game.

"The good news is head contact is down and that's what we're really trying to do," Kevin Kobelka said Wednesday.

"Would we like it to get lower? Yeah, of course."

In May 2013, hockey's provincial governing body opted to ban bodychecking for players under 13 years old. It was a major ruling in the long-standing debate that often pits parents, coaches and minor-league brass against each other.

Kobelka expects to hear more discussion on curbing on-ice violence this weekend as delegates converge on the city for Hockey Canada's annual general meeting. Hockey Alberta officials are also scheduled to meet in Edmonton next weekend.

"I'll be curious to see what kind of information they come back with based on Year One," he said.

In addition to head contact penalties, referees recorded 692 bodychecking infractions in the inaugural hit-free era.

That's more than once per game.

Westwood referee-in-chief Murray Briceland shrugged off that figure, saying the bulk of the penalties occurred at the start of the year when the youngsters were still adapting to the new rules.

"For the first part of the year, there were a lot of players heading off to the penalty box because the second-year peewees were used to being able to hit," Briceland said. "But kids are amazing — they catch on real fast."

"By the time we got to Christmas, it pretty much sorted itself out."

He also noted head-shots are considered more serious offences than bodychecking, with players usually getting booted off the ice for a five-minute major penalty.

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# MLA dismisses ties to dress code controversy

**Rob Anderson.**

Wildrose finance critic's mom and sister on Footprints for Learning Academy's board



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Two family members of a Wildrose MLA currently sit on the board of an Airdrie private school enforcing a dress code that some have declared homophobic and a violation of charter rights.

Metro reported earlier this month on the dress and grooming code at Footprints for Learning Academy and one mother's claim that she'd pulled her child from the school after being told he couldn't wear inappropriate items, like sparkly shorts, and also couldn't read a book to his class called "My Princess Boy."

The dress code states that boys are prohibited from wearing "clothing and accessories specifically intended for girls," including earrings, and all students must show up for class sporting "natural" hair colours.

After the initial article was



Wildrose MLA Rob Anderson, left, is seen with party leader Danielle Smith and Jeff Wilson, the party's deputy house leader, in this file photo. METRO FILE

published, questions were raised among critics on social media about Wildrose MLA and finance critic Rob Anderson's ties to the school. It has since been confirmed that his mother, Jane Anderson, is president/chairman of the academy's society and sister Laura Bancroft is treasurer.

Anderson's wife, Anita, is listed as vice-chair but the

party said in an email she was "mistakenly put on the board by a family member without her consent," in 2012.

Rob Anderson's party, in general, has faced repeated criticism since the 2012 provincial election campaign, when leader Danielle Smith refused to condemn the remarks of then-candidate Allan Hunsperger, who'd written a blog in 2011 informing gays and lesbians, "You will suffer the rest of eternity in the lake of fire, hell."

Anderson was also among 31 Wildrose and Conservative legislative representatives to vote against Motion 503, which would have required all Alberta school boards to support the development of gay-straight alliances, in early

April.

When reached Tuesday, however, Anderson dismissed any ties to Footprints and refused to delve into his own opinions on the academy's dress code or support for it among what he described as "extended family members."

In the fall, Anderson did urge Wildrose members to be "loud and proud" as they voted in support of a policy denouncing intolerance.

"I have demonstrated a clear commitment to furthering the equality rights of all Albertans regardless of their gender," he said in a statement.

But even still, Liberal MLA Kent Hehr, who proposed Motion 503 and heavily criticized Footprints' dress code when

provided it by Metro earlier this month, said politicians will always be forced to answer for the decisions made by members of their family.

"My mom's a public school trustee and issues and stances she takes at public meetings are attributed, whether directly or indirectly, to me although my mom is her own person," he said Tuesday.

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## Quoted

**"Our dress code implements this parental feedback and, in our most recent parent survey, 94 (per cent) of parents support the dress code, with all but one of the remaining (six per cent) wanting an even stricter dress code."**

Statement from Footprints for Learning Academy

## Online

To read a full copy of the statement from Footprints for Learning Academy, head to [metronews.ca](http://metronews.ca).



## Critics question motives for disciplinary decisions

Opposition education critics say they're disturbed by reports of a handful of Alberta teachers engaging in sexual relationships and physically harming students — actions that cost them their jobs permanently — but question whether the education minister could be better handling an ongoing skirmish with the union representatives.

On Monday, Metro was first to report that Alberta's education minister had overruled at

least four decisions from the Alberta Teachers' Association's disciplinary hearing committee, which recommended suspensions of teachers involved in cases that have been widely deemed disturbing.

One high school teacher admitted to discussing penile tattoos and clitoral piercings with students and even giving one of his pupils an assignment to masturbate in the shower.

Another engaged in sexual

intercourse with a student multiple times and then initially lied about the relationship.

And a third is accused of kicking a table and water bottle in fits of rage that left students with minor injuries.

In each case, the committee recommended years-long suspensions, but Education Minister Jeff Johnson instead exercised his authority and stripped them of their teaching certificates.

The revelations come as a provincial task force has recommended moving away from the ATA committee when disciplining educators.

But Wildrose education critic Bruce McAllister was quick to question whether the minister's efforts were part of a move to make himself the sole authority on teacher performance.

"My issue is government giving itself control to police the

ethics of the teaching industry, when it can't police itself," he said, adding, as he sees it, the governing Tory party is caught up in a "new moral or ethical scandal almost daily."

NDP education critic Deron Bilous, a former teacher, agreed the teachers are guilty of "crossing the line," but appealed to the minister to work hand-in-hand with ATA representatives to change the disciplinary process. **JEREMY NOLAÏS/METRO**

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Tonja Beach looks out over the stretch of Sandstone Drive NW in front of her home on Wednesday. She said speeding remains a concern in the area despite a double hit-and-run last year that claimed the life of mother Wong Shuk Yee.

JEREMY NOLAIS/METRO

# Double hit-and-run changes nothing

**'This street, it's bad luck.'** Award recipient says speeding troubles persist on deadly stretch



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Tonja Beach replays the scene in her mind every time she steps out the front door of her Sandstone home.

She'd been going through the paces of her morning routine on Feb. 20, 2013, but was interrupted by a loud bang — and then another.

She looked out to see a woman, then a stranger, lying in a pool of blood on the street.

Two cars had struck Wong Shuk Yee in the intersection of Sandstone Drive and Berkshire Boulevard NW, a crossing widely regarded as dangerous among area residents.

Two other vehicles narrow-

ly missed Wong, 56. None of the drivers stopped. Bystanders at the nearby bus terminal stood in shock.

As Beach recalls it, she was the only one that sprang into action, racing to Wong as she drew her final breaths.

"She looked at me, squeezed my hand and just closed her eyes," Beach said Wednesday. "I had to take a leave of absence from work. I couldn't function."

On Wednesday evening, Beach received an award from Calgary police Chief Rick Hanson during an annual gala in which he pays tribute to the courageous acts of both his officers and the public.

But trouble on the stretch of road wasn't over, as Beach's parked van was hit by a vehicle three weeks later. Then in November, her dog Bandit got loose and was struck and killed.

"This street, it's bad luck," she said. "If I could afford to move, I would get out of here.... There's at least two crashes

## Awards

# 81

Chief Rick Hanson presented awards to 81 people during his annual gala, including 17 local citizens, three city firefighters and 57 of his own officers. Other recipients were from Edmonton and Grande Prairie.

a month at that intersection. People just speed. None of this has slowed anybody down."

In the days following the double hit-and-run, Beach generated headlines after stating, "There's no compassion left in this city."

She said the community bonded somewhat in the wake of the tragedy, but she's kept up on other hit-and-runs in the city and stands by much of what she said.

"The majority of stories you hear, people don't care anymore about other human beings," the mother of four said. "They're all in a hurry to live their lives."

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# Police bike unit geared up to fight crime in city's south



The Calgary Police Service unveiled its five-member mountain bike team to patrol south Calgary communities. KEN VAN DE WALLE/FOR METRO

**Five officers.** District 8 will deploy a full-time mountain bike team throughout summer

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Criminals won't be the only ones sweating in south Calgary communities as a new police mountain bike unit was deployed in the city's southern reaches.

With the HotShop spin studio as the training backdrop, the five-member team, which will have a community focus, was wheeled in to media Wednesday.

"For the first time, District 8 is going to deploy a full-time mountain bike team throughout the summer, with the goal to get the guys back into the community," said District 8 Sgt. Chris Gauvin.

Emulating the mountain bike team that currently operates in downtown Calgary, this new team has been created to

patrol areas south of Anderson Road.

Police believe that the team will be more efficient in interacting with the community and finding crime trends, as well as being able to stop crimes in progress or prevent crimes before they happen.

"You get a chance to talk to (citizens) about what their community concerns are, what type of crime trends they're having," said Insp. Scott Boyd, a member of the team.

After two weeks of operation, the team has already stopped two break-and-enters, foiled a robbery, and have found missing persons, police said.

"Traditional policing in a police car has the guys going from call to call, so you don't get that interaction with the citizens. So by putting them on bikes we can start to look at certain areas where we have high crime," said Sgt. Gauvin.

"We've actually foiled a robbery that was going to take place before it happened because the guys were able to listen in ... and be stealthy."

counciltracker.ca

## New website details councillors' voting records

Diane Colley-Urquhart and Druh Farrell are the most diametrically opposed members of city council when it comes to spending issues, while Sean Chu and Ward Sutherland are the most aligned.

That's according to just one bit of data from a new

website launched by the Manning Foundation Wednesday that analyzes voting patterns, attendance records, questions asked, and other actions of Calgary city councillors.

Counciltracker.ca also reveals that Coun. Shane Keating casts votes with the winning side the most often, while Coun. Andre Chabot votes "no" most often, and Coun. Gian-Carlo Carra moves and seconds the most motions, by far.

"I think even some of the

councillors may be surprised by their track records," foundation president Preston Manning said. The aggregated data comes from just the current council, elected in October 2013, and it's about a month behind real time.

Project lead Jeremy Farkas, who spent "hundreds of hours" combing through council meeting minutes and video recordings to sift out the relevant information, said the next goal is to bring the data up to date and continue

refreshing it after every council meeting to reflect the latest results.

The current, relatively limited data set focuses mainly on spending and budget-related issues, but Manning said that's largely because those topics have dominated council deliberations over the past seven months. As more data is gathered, he said visitors will be able to further break down councillors' votes, such as by transit, cycling and more.

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"Wholesale buyers will be represented to take trade-ins during the sale," Mr. Holst said. "We also have

three business managers who will help buyers arrange low-cost financing. We've got over \$10 Million Dollars in inventory to choose from. Our total inventory will be close to 600 new and used cars and trucks. We want to remind everyone that this is a one-day sale only. When our inventory has been reduced, we will remove the sale prices and return to normal operations. Since we are a local business we would like to give back to the community," Mr. Holst said. "We would rather allow local people to buy these overstocked vehicles than wholesale them at an auction." All cars will be reduced every hour and there will be 6 cars that will be reduced every hour until they get to \$1. These special \$1 sale cars are in a separate section at the front of the dealership. Due to the volume of sales during this event, please no telephone inquiries.

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Midfield residents Ruth Cousins, two-year-old Tia and pup Daisy are being displaced by a decision to close the city-run trailer park. BRYAN WEISMILLER/METRO

## Trailer park resident recalls 'traumatic' relocation story

**Displaced.** Where do Midfield residents go?



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It's been many moons since trailer park manager Mairi Moxley was forced to move her mobile home, but she still recalls the "nightmare." Near the turn of the century, the city bought out the land under Moxley and her neighbours living in the Chateau Estates Mobile Home Park for construction on the Macleod Trail and Anderson Road interchange.

Thinking back to those

tough times, Moxley expressed sadness for the Midfield Mobile Home Park residents who were told this week they've got three years to get off their slice of city-owned land.

"The move itself is traumatic," she said. "It takes some time to get everything hooked up again."

Moxley was relocated to a bigger plot of land at 16 Avenue and 84 Street NE, not far from a spot once promised to Midfield residents. But city council has now elected not to use that land to build a mega mobile home park.

Midfield tenants will now get up to \$10,000 of their moving expenses paid.

Moxley, however, ques-

tioned where those folks will wind up, saying her northeast site has been full-up for a dozen years — and she routinely fields pleading phone calls from would-be tenants from across the city, Canada and even Germany.

"There's nothing available anywhere that I'm aware of," she said.

Coun. Andre Chabot expressed support for the original plan to move Midfield residents into a new mobile home park known as East Hills Estates in his ward.

"If nothing else it would've provided them an opportunity to transition that little township to a new location," Chabot said Wednesday.

## Councillors unsure about secondary suites plan

Suburban councillors gave mixed reviews Wednesday to a plan by four of their inner-city colleagues to legalize secondary suites in certain areas of Calgary.

The proposal, championed by Coun. Druh Farrell, would see separate dwellings permitted in homes in Wards 7, 8, 9 and 11 and within 600 metres of "major transit routes" in other, less central parts of Calgary.

Coun. Shane Keating said he's OK with the first part of the plan, but has concerns

about the second part, which he said could affect sections of his ward where a lot of residents don't want secondary suites generally permitted.

"Some of the residents moved here because this is what they wanted," Keating said.

Coun. Sean Chu, conversely, said he doesn't mind the idea of secondary suites near transit, but doesn't think they should be permitted across entire wards, even in the inner city.

"The ward boundaries

can change," Chu said. "So it doesn't make sense to have each ward approved."

Coun. Jim Stevenson shared Keating's concerns about the transit stipulation, but said he'd support — somewhat reluctantly — the other aspect of the inner-city councillors' plan.

"If they want to do it in their wards, I guess it's fine," Stevenson said. "I even have a problem within those wards, but those councillors are determined they're going to do it."

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## No answer. Busy signals for taxis fuelling drunk driving, says MADD CEO

Word that as many as 10,000 calls to a single city cab broker hit a busy signal each hour during the busiest Calgary party nights has the chief executive of a national anti-drunk driving group calling for better technology and more vehicles on city streets.

Andy Murie, CEO of Mothers Against Drunk Driving, says he has no doubt that some inebriated bar patrons turn to their own vehicles after being met with a few busy signals when calling city cab companies for a ride home.

"Unfortunately, it's going to end up in a lot of tragedies," he said. "People are going to drive; they're impaired, they didn't want to, but they will. Nothing good is going to come from that."

On Tuesday, Checker Yellow Cabs president Kurt Enders said a Telus probe of his dispatch system during a busy evening last Christmas revealed 10,000 calls placed

### A fare number?

Currently 1,526 cabs are permitted to operate in the city, about one for every 748 residents. By comparison, Edmonton has a cab for every 662 residents.

per hour weren't getting through to his employees.

He generally staffs 12 dispatchers on busy week-end nights but said the system is "maxed out," leading him to invest millions into a system that provides callers with an estimated time they will have to wait to get through. Enders is also moving towards having some cabs assigned via "virtual call-takers."

But Enders said Wednesday while the dispatch enhancements may improve customer service somewhat, the biggest solution remains with adding more cab licences. JEREMY NOLAIS/METRO

# Paramedics showcase their life-saving skills



Paramedic Naomi Nania shows how to help a person breathe during a simulation on Media Medic Day. KEN VAN DE WALLE/FOR METRO

**Media Medic Day.** National Paramedic Week runs from May 25 to 31

The call came in at about 12:30 p.m. A 24-year-old man had fallen from a ladder and had severe neck and back injuries.

The ambulance arrived and immediately immobilized the man to prevent further damage. The man was having trouble breathing and had to have tubes inserted down his throat in order to get air into

### Quoted

**"There are a lot of myths we're trying to change. One of them is that we're just ambulance drivers."**

Paramedic Naomi Nania

his lungs.

Luckily, the man was a dummy, and the entire situation was a simulation put on by EMS as part of their Media Medic Day.

"It's for the public, to show the public what we do, and to get them to look at ambulances and ask those questions when we're not in an emergency situation," said Naomi Nania, a paramedic and public education officer for Alberta Health Services.

The event was held as part of National Paramedic Services Week. Members of the media were invited to take part in basic medical training, and then use that knowledge in a simulated medical situation.

"There are a lot of myths we're trying to change. One of them is that we're just ambulance drivers. We do a lot of skills in the back of the ambulance, and we save lives as well," said Nania.

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Alberta Health Services chief health operations officer Brenda Huband posts a thank-you note to EMS workers on a vehicle at the Southgate District Station Wednesday, while Health Minister Fred Horne, right, looks on. ROBSON FLETCHER/METRO

## New EMS station is province's largest

**District service.** The station, located at 15100 Macleod Trail, serves numerous communities



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Alberta's first "district EMS station" is now fully operational in south Calgary, bringing numerous paramedics, ambulances, and other equipment together under one, 3,400-square-metre roof.

The Southgate District Station, housed in a former car dealership, is the largest ambulance station in the province.

It includes 41 ambulance bays, training facilities, supply rooms for medical and radio equipment, and a garage for outfitting ambulances with new gear.

One of the main operational advantages of the facility is that it allows an EMS crew coming on shift to simply hop into one of the waiting ambulances and then drop the vehicle back off at the end of their shift.

"The crew is not waiting for another unit to come in," Health Minister Fred Horne said. "They're not waiting for the process of exchanging equipment and supplies. It means that the crew can go immediately onto a call."

Previously, crews would be assigned to a specific ambulance that could end up anywhere across the city at the end of a shift and then have to return to a specified location to switch crews.

The extra efficiency is particularly important in a growing city like Calgary, said Alberta Health Services chief health operations officer Brenda Huband.

"In Calgary alone crews respond to more than 100,000 calls a year and we know those numbers will continue to rise," she said.

The district station has been in use since April, EMS operations executive director Nick Thain said.

### Health minister

## Horne: Teens under 18 should be banned from tanning bed use

Health Minister Fred Horne says Albertans under the age of 18 should be banned from using tanning beds.

"My view is, quite clearly, that we need to ban access to artificial tanning for children and youth that are under 18 years of age," he said Wednesday. Horne didn't say whether a ban would be included in legislation his government plans to introduce, saying details are being put through "our decision-making process."

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## Montgomery area. Police allege resident assaulted emergency responder

Police allege a resident of a Montgomery-area home that caught fire early Wednesday assaulted one of the emergency responders working to fight the blaze.

The scenario unfolded after firefighters were called to a home in the 1800 block of 41 Street NW amid reports of fire and that someone may have been trapped inside, according to the fire department.

No injuries were reported. Robert Kyle Chapman, 26, has been charged with assault. METRO



The arson unit is investigating the cause of a fire at this Montgomery-area home. BRYAN WEISMILLER/METRO



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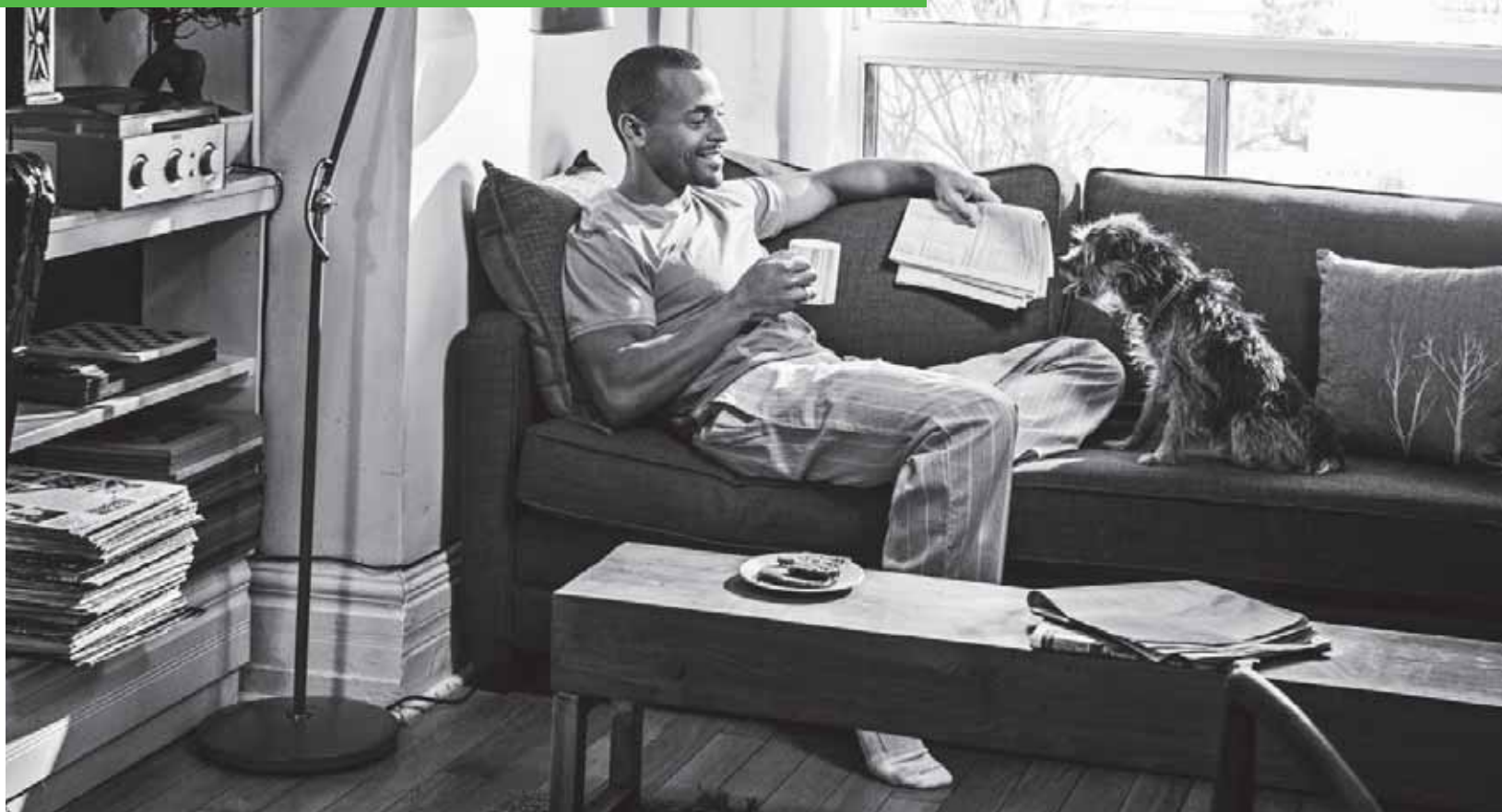
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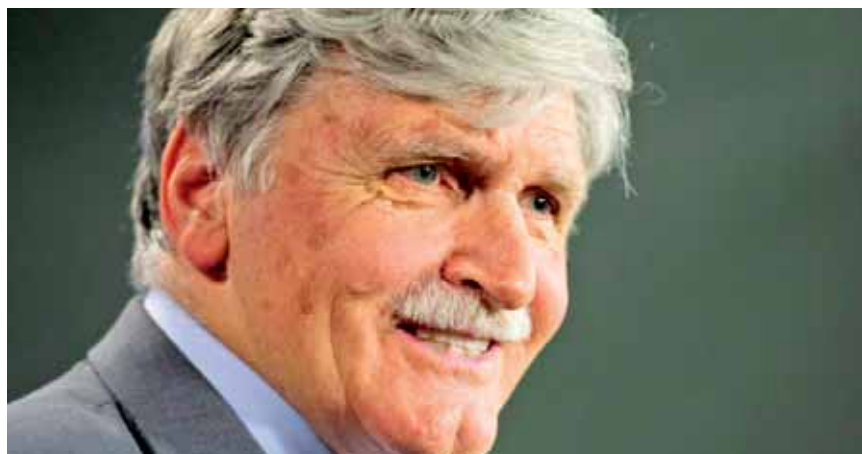
# Sen. Dallaire resigning to focus on humanitarian work

**'An extraordinary Canadian.'** Former UN commander in Rwanda will serve last day in the upper chamber on June 17

Liberal Sen. Romeo Dallaire, a career soldier best known in Canada as the former commander of the UN's ill-fated peacekeeping mission in Rwanda, is resigning — not retiring, he insists — from the upper chamber.

Dallaire's last day in the Senate will be June 17, after which he intends to focus attention on a growing portfolio of international humanitarian work, the square-jawed senator told a news conference Wednesday.

The decision has nothing to do with either the shadow of scandal that has loomed over



Sen. Romeo Dallaire smiles as he answers a question on his retirement from the Senate during a news conference on Parliament Hill in Ottawa on Wednesday. ADRIAN WYLD/THE CANADIAN PRESS

the Senate for more than a year, or with the Rwandan-born post-traumatic stress disorder that has haunted him for 20 years, he said.

Rather, the 68-year-old Dallaire said he felt there simply wasn't enough time in his schedule to be a senator while also pursuing causes close to

his heart that are related to defence and human rights in the international arena.

"I have an awful lot of work ahead of me, and it was im-

portant for me to leave at this point."

Dallaire said resigning has left him with a "torn heart" because his nine years in the Senate allowed him to champion issues including veterans and their families, a strong military to help ensure global peace, anti-terrorism, aboriginal rights and better intelligence oversight.

"I think it was a very useful instrument for me to advance things I believe in," he said.

While Dallaire's news came as a surprise, it was quickly followed by glowing praise from all political quarters.

Prime Minister Stephen Harper thanked the senator via Twitter for his service, Conservative Sen. Hugh Segal said he was "devastated" to hear of his colleague's decision, calling it "a huge loss," and NDP Leader Tom Mulcair called Dallaire "an extraordinary Canadian."

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## Privacy

### Canadian spy agency collects personal info for cyberdefence

Canada's electronic spy agency says it gathers and sometimes keeps personal information — including names and email addresses of Canadians — as part of efforts to protect vital networks from cyberattacks.

Communications Security Establishment Canada maintains an information bank containing the personal information of "potentially any individual" who communicates electronically with a key federal computer network while CSEC is assessing its vulnerability.

Information in the bank — known as CSEC PPU 007 — is held for up to 30 years before being transferred to Library and Archives Canada, says a description in the federal Info Source guide, which lists the various categories of personal information held by the government.

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## Sorry, that's not how you become a polar bear

A black bear north of Shellbrook, Sask., decided to take a power nap atop a power pole last Friday after he escaped a pair of dogs. According to a SaskPower spokesperson, a customer alerted the company to the animal, and crews were then dispatched to check out the bedtime bear. "It's kind of an unusual thing," the spokesman said. "He did manage to get down from the pole safely, and is not injured as far as we know and didn't do any damage to the pole or cause any sort of power outage." COURTESY SASKPOWER

## Manitoba

### Lodge owner sorry for brochure that says not to give alcohol to natives

The owner of a Manitoba fishing lodge apologized Wednesday for comments in his visitors guide that said

aboriginals cannot handle alcohol.

"It was a total mistake and should not have been in there. It's an old trip planning guide that I've used for like 15 years and I had no idea that that was even in there," Brent Fleck of Laurie River Lodge said.

"I've issued an apology to the chief down in Pukata-

wagan and to the natives that work for me and ... it's certainly not our opinion and not something that we want to forward in any way shape or form."

The lodge's Facebook page was filled with angry comments over a section of the brochure that warns guests not to give alcohol to aboriginal guides. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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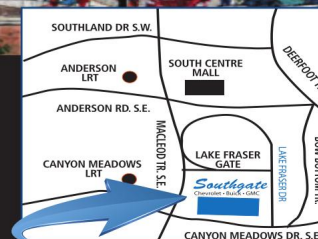
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Climate change

## Greenpeace, WWF take aim at energy industry

Environmental groups have fired legal warning shots at major energy companies over their alleged role in funding climate change denial and blocking climate-friendly legislation.

Greenpeace and the World Wildlife Fund have sent letters to international and Canadian companies asking how they manage public communication on climate change.

They say spreading misinformation could leave company officers open to legal liability.

Keith Stewart of Greenpeace Canada says the letters are the first step in a long-term campaign to use the law to prevent the energy industry from delaying action on climate change.

The letter has been sent to five Canadian companies: Suncor, Talisman Energy, Husky Energy, EnCana and Canadian Natural Resources. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

# 'Canada has delivered,' says UN Children's Fund chief

## Maternal health summit. UNICEF head lauds courage of Nigerian schoolgirls as conference opens

Efforts to improve the health of newborns and their mothers in poor countries must also include protecting them from violence, such as the terror caused by Boko Haram in Nigeria, says the head of the UN Children's Fund.

UNICEF chief Anthony Lake offered that assessment in an interview Wednesday with The Canadian Press prior to the opening of Stephen Harper's international conference on maternal, newborn and child health.

Lake lauded the prime minister's leadership in helping children and mothers in



Sara Schulz, who is eight months pregnant and World Vision's child health policy adviser, helps to set up a striking display in Toronto, Wednesday, to urge world leaders to focus on the millions of "invisible" children and women who die each year of preventable causes. **WORLD VISION CANADA/THE CANADIAN PRESS**

developing countries as he heaped praise on the courage of the teenage girls kidnapped by Boko Haram in northern Nigeria.

He said he would raise his concerns about child protection in a private meeting later

Wednesday with Harper's international development minister, Christian Paradis.

As for Harper, Lake said: "He has led the way on this and Canada has delivered and is delivering, again 80 per cent of its commitment at Mus-

koka."

Harper unveiled the Muskoka Initiative at the G8 summit Canada hosted in 2010, and it has become the government's signature development priority.

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Threat to girls' education

## Kidnapping highlights larger issue

The Boko Haram kidnapping was on the minds of many at the three-day summit on maternal and child health.

Anthony Lake, head of the UN Children's Fund, said the Nigerian kidnapping draws attention to one of the underlying causes of the health threats faced by young mothers and girls in impoverished, war-torn countries: the importance of overcoming the threat to girls' education posed by militant groups.

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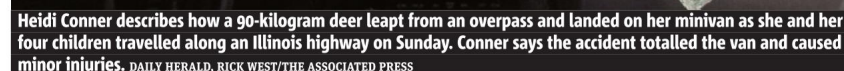
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Cancer survivor Caitlin Jones was an avid indoor tanner until she discovered at age 23 that a spot on her forehead was basal cell carcinoma. CHRIS YOUNG/CANADIAN PRESS

## The potential dark cloud to skin exposure

### Skin cancer.

Though the incidences of some cancers are declining, melanoma cases are on the rise

Ian Anderson is one of the 2.5 per cent.

After his first diagnosis of melanoma, the Brampton, Ont., man was told that without immediate treatment he would be dead within two months. After his second, he was informed that if 100 people were in his shoes, 97.5 would not make it to the five-year mark, the standard measuring stick for beating a cancer.

Nineteen years after the second occurrence, Anderson, now 56, is still around to tell the tale — in his ever-present hat and sunscreen, which he slathers on religiously.

"I'm living proof that it can happen," says Anderson, who now counsels people diagnosed with melanoma.

Anderson's story is one of optimism — but also of reality. While he's living proof some lucky people can survive Stage 4 melanoma, he is also confirmation that people who don't take sun precautions can develop the more-often deadly disease.

Another survivor, Caitlin Jones, was an avid indoor tanner — until she discovered at age 23 that a spot on her

### By the numbers

Some estimates about cancer in Canada this year:

- 6,500. Number of new melanoma cases. Of those, 1,050 Canadians will die from this form of cancer.
- 191,300. Number of new overall cancer diagnoses. Of those, 76,600 Canadians will die from some sort of cancer.

forehead just below her hair line was basal cell carcinoma, which comprises about four out of five non-melanoma skin cancers.

Jones had surgery to remove a quarter-sized piece of skin to excise the cancer — a procedure that altered her view on tanning. She notes that around the same time some of her friends' parents were also dealing with skin cancers.

The Canadian Cancer Society worries that more people will hear the kinds of frightening diagnoses Anderson and Jones did in the future. That's because skin cancers — particularly the most deadly kind, melanoma — are the most common kinds of cancers in Canada. And whereas the incidences of some cancers are actually going down, melanoma cases are on the rise, in both women and men.

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## Lower IQ in children linked to common household chemicals

Researchers in B.C. say lower IQ and greater hyperactivity in young children appears to be significantly linked to a woman's exposure to flame retardants during early pregnancy.

The Simon Fraser University study found there's an association between women

being exposed to a 10-fold increase of certain chemicals when their baby's brain is developing and a 4.5-point drop in the standard measure of intelligence.

The chemicals of concern are polybrominated diphenyl ethers, known as PBDEs, which have been widely used

to prevent the spread of fire in furniture, carpet padding and car seats.

Researcher and health sciences Prof. Bruce Lanphear says North Americans are likely exposed to higher amounts of PBDEs than people in other parts of the world, and it could take decades to flush

the chemicals from their environments.

The study suggests the impact of the chemicals is comparable to exposure to lead, which was once used in various products including paint and pipes in homes and offices.

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**Quebec company ups its bid price for Botox maker**

Valeant Pharmaceuticals increased its hostile offer to buy Botox-maker Allergan on Wednesday and threatened to bypass the board by taking it directly to shareholders. However, analysts suggested Valeant may have to raise its offer again.

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# Driverless car coming

**Stranger than science fiction.** Sorry, no flying cars or transporters just yet, but Google speeds ahead with a pretty cool self-driving car prototype



**The future is now: Here is a very early version of Google's prototype self-driving car.** THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Google will build a car without a steering wheel. It doesn't need one because it drives itself. The two-seater won't be sold publicly, but Google said Tuesday it hopes by this time next year, 100 prototypes will be on public roads. Though not driving very quickly — the top speed would be 25 miles per hour. The cars are a natural next step for Google, which already has driven hundreds of thousands of miles in California with Lexus SUVs and Toyota Priuses outfitted with a combination of sensors and com-

puters. Those cars have Google-employed "safety drivers" behind the wheel in case of emergency. The new cars would eliminate the driver from the task of driving. No steering wheel, no brake and gas pedals. Instead, buttons for go and stop. The electric-powered car is compact and bubble-shaped — something that might move people around a corporate campus. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

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# WHAT A WONDERFUL WORLD?

Is the world getting better or worse?

It's a question that's been debated for decades by a diverse array of middle-aged white men with post-secondary educations. Happy that my people are getting a voice, I've given the issue a lot of thought myself.

I'm torn. On one hand, the world sucks; on the other, it sucks to a lesser magnitude than any time since the Space Odyssey monolith taught us how to brain our fellow monkeys.

The world feels like it's getting worse, but that's just human nature. It's the same phenomenon that allows us to believe that every generation but our own is the one destroying the Earth.

When we were young, we convinced ourselves that our generation was the most hard-done-by ever, which is why the peace and prosperity of the early 1990s still managed to produce teens sulking to Nirvana and Smashing Pumpkins. Then we got older and convinced ourselves that young people were out of control. I'm reaching the age where friends talk about "the teens on the bus" or "the



**HE SAYS**  
**John Mazerolle**  
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kids at the mall" as if they are a consolidated trade union with the united goal of making life miserable for normal people. Whether we blame the selfish baby boomers or the irresponsible youth, everyone thinks the world is spinning out of control. But what is the reality?

Here are some of the key arguments when weighing Louis Armstrong's "What a wonderful world" against the Wicked Witch of the West's "Oh what a world!"

**Resolved — the world is getting better**  
**Pro:**

"The intertwined world economy means it's rare for two countries with McDonald's to go to war, most likely because people are too winded to lift their weapons and too big to wedge themselves into their tank holes.

\* Thanks to the miracle of the Internet, literally anyone with a minor rash can spend a few minutes online and confidently diagnose themselves with cancer.

\* Game of Thrones is so awesome right now.

\* Previously intractable problems such as extreme poverty can now be solved with a clever hashtag.

\* The world is united as never before thanks to its shared hatred of Kim and Kanye.

**Con:**

\* While countries with McDonald's rarely fight each other, hundreds of thousands have died in the Denny's Wars.

\* "Statisticians" will try to tell you that life expectancy is getting higher, but did you know that every single person on Earth is closer to death today than they were yesterday?

\* YouTube comments.

\* The government knows everything about me, including my PIN, my taste for online rap battles, and that when I'm in a rush I use Head & Shoulders as impromptu bodywash, despite the anatomical specificity of its name.

\* Genetically modified strawberries are watery and flavourless.

Five arguments for and five against, so you can see why I haven't yet reached a conclusion. My gut feeling is that the world is better than it's ever been, but that climate change is a sizable wild card that could drastically increase violent weather, destroy the world's agriculture and sink entire cities. Darn kids.

## ZOOM

### Made of spur parts



Black Hawk is a scrap-iron sculpture of a life-size plow horse pulling a single bottom plow, made by 43-year-old artist John Lopez, based in Lemmon, S.D. JOHN LOPEZ/REX FEATURES

#### South Dakota

#### Artist's viewpoint

#### Favourite weld-work

### Artist turns metal into animals

The heavy beasts look like they're up for a scrap — scrap metal, that is. These sculptures are the work of artist John Lopez, who welds the pieces from abandoned farm machinery. Based in Lemmon, S.D., the 43-year-old has created full-size replicas of animals such as a horse, buffalo and even a triceratops dinosaur. **MWN**

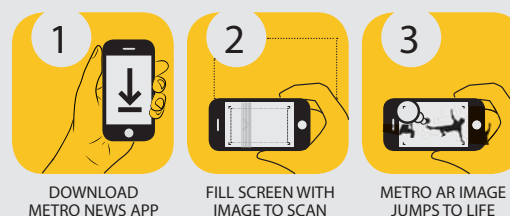
"I moved to my uncle's ranch to make a family cemetery. But after finishing a perimeter fence I ran out of material and, being 35 miles from the nearest town, had to search for usable scrap iron on site. It led on to working with the metal as art material."

John Lopez, scrap-metal artist

### 'The plow horse is a part of our past'

Out of all the critters welded, the scrap-iron plow horse named Black Hawk is Lopez's most prized creation. "The plow horse is a symbol worldwide that we all understand to be a part of our past and history. We depended on them so much before modern machinery was invented," the artist says. "I think Black Hawk is the one I am most proud of." **MWN**

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### They're happy tears



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**Listen. This is a crucial warning.** This video of Mr. G, a very sad and lonely goat being reunited with his best pal, Jellybean the burro, is a festival of tears. Not lock-yourself-indoors-with-Enya-songs-and-a-tub-of-ice-cream tears, mind you. More the redemptive kind.

So as long as you're OK with being a little tear-streaked — or at least misty — in public, then by all means, go right ahead.

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# Paul Kuster will be yukking it up at this year's FunnyFest

**No looking back.** Local comic says he was hooked on standup after the first try



**BACKSTAGE PASS**  
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When Paul Kuster first tried his hand at comedy, he already had several years of on-camera experience under his belt.

But the former Global Television news reporter soon realized talking into a camera was far different than staring into the faces of a crowd of people expecting to be entertained.

"Anything live scares the sh— out of me because it's just you in front of strangers," says Kuster, who spent 12 years with Global before taking a buyout.

"The TV thing helped a bit, but there's a big difference between standing in front of a camera telling viewers about the latest murder and standing on a stage in a spotlight with a microphone and

## Quoted

**"Festivals bring communities together, makes them more vibrant and makes for some good ol' clean fun. Well, mostly."**

Paul Kuster, comedian, on Calgary's FunnyFest

people saying, 'OK funny guy, make me laugh.'"

Kuster got a taste for comedy 14 years ago when he was asked by friend and FunnyFest founder Stu Hughes to warm up the crowd at a show during the inaugural festival.

"I told a couple of stupid stories that had punchlines and the audience laughed," he recalls. "I was hooked. I was asked to do the same thing at a different show the next night, and I totally bombed. Total silence. But I was still hooked."

After coming away from his comedy initiation relatively unscathed, Kuster decided to make a go of standup, honing his skills at various amateur nights around town.

Kuster uses his experiences as an aboriginal person in Canada for the basis of his humour, as well as making observations about the weirder aspects of sports, education and the media.

He's one of the featured performers at this year's FunnyFest Calgary Comedy Festival, which runs May 29 until June 8.

Kuster has appeared at every FunnyFest since 2004 and says for him the chance to meet and work with comics from across Canada and the United States is one of the highlights of the festival.

"It's always good for some cheap laughs and cheaper she-nigans," he says.

"And cheap is good, people."

Kuster also believes FunnyFest is a good way for Calgarians to see the comedic talent the city has to offer.

"Anything that celebrates live performance art is worthy of notice by the general public," he says.



Paul Kuster joins 70 other comics from across Canada and the U.S. at this year's FunnyFest Calgary Comedy Festival, which kicks off May 29. LISA WILTON/FOR METRO

## Details

The FunnyFest Calgary Comedy Festival runs at various venues including the Shamrock Hotel and the Marda Loop Community Centre from May 28 until June 8.

- Tickets can be purchased online at [funnyfest.com](http://funnyfest.com) or by calling the FunnyFest office at 403-228-7888.

- FunnyFest 2014 features 70 standup comics, including Matt Billon, Chris Griffin, Tommy Savitt and Simon King.

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# How to elicit Piercing laughter



Pierce Brosnan and Emma Thompson star in *The Love Punch*, which is in theatres now. CONTRIBUTED

**The Love Punch.**  
Brosnan has no problem laughing at his age or past roles



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Pierce Brosnan isn't afraid to poke fun at himself or his age — or his time playing James Bond and Thomas Crowne — in the pursuit of a good laugh. Plus, going for those laughs opposite Emma Thompson doesn't hurt. Brosnan and Thompson play bickering exes in writer-director Joel Hopkins' *The Love Punch*, about a regular couple who get carried away with a jewel heist as revenge against the callous French banker who tanked their retirement fund.

**It's hard to believe this is the first time you've teamed up with Emma Thompson. How was it working with her?**

Oh, it was out-of-the-box great. Such a memorable summer it was. We hit the ground running Day One, scene one, like we'd been working together forever. We'd wanted to work with each other for many years. There's just a real fondness for each other, and from my point of view she's just

such a gifted lady — beautiful, gifted, kind, gracious, affable. If she was here I wouldn't get a word in edgewise. She is just wildly entertaining.

**This film sneaks in some fun nods to your time as James Bond and other previous work.**

I certainly got the jokes within the jokes — dressing up in a wetsuit, scaling a rubber mountain, stealing a diamond. Of course. If not now, when? Joel and I had talked often about this kind of humour and this kind of film. So all of the ingredients were just ripe for the doing.

**It is odd, though, to see Timothy Spall in a wetsuit.**

It's quite a sight to behold. They gave him the wrong size wetsuit. They had to slit it up the back — you can actually see it in the film if you freeze it. Poor Timothy, he was miserable. And they gave him a three-day, and it was a summer's day. It was so hot.

**The locations did seem fairly pleasant.**

Bliss, utter joy. It started in the South of France at the Carlton Hotel. I woke up, it was a gorgeous morning, I fed the seagulls that came to my little balcony suite that I had at the top of the hotel. I went down and we all met each other and

## Quoted

**"I certainly got the jokes within the jokes — dressing up in a wetsuit, scaling a rubber mountain, stealing a diamond. Of course, if not now, when?"**

Pierce Brosnan on comedic nods to his prior role as James Bond

we started the play. They had lovely French lunches where there's wine — they actually sat us out front on the Croisette. Then we went back to work and continued our day, and that's how the shoot went. So it was very civilized, very otherworldly romantic. I mean, it's a retro-type film.

**How do you get the right tone for a screwball comedy like this?**

It has to start with sincerity and honesty and a good story. It has to be founded within the truthfulness of character and storytelling, so that you can then go off the rails but always come back to it. And in this case, this man is middle-aged, divorced, playing the field with women that are too young for him — that man-boy type mentality. There was a good, strong foundation in that. So for me it was always that, and then ... wetsuits.

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## Maya Angelou: 1928-2014

In this 1971 photo, Renaissance woman and cultural pioneer Maya Angelou poses with a copy of her book, *I Know Why the Caged Bird Sings*, one of the most widely read memoirs of the past few decades. Angelou died Wednesday morning at her home in Winston-Salem, N.C., her son, Guy B. Johnson, said in a statement. The 86-year-old had been a professor of American studies at Wake Forest University since 1982. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

## Lost tapes. Queen to release tracks featuring Mercury

Queen are to release new tracks featuring Freddie Mercury's vocals by the end of the year, the British rock group's guitarist Brian May said.

The songs, dating back to the 1980s, will be released on a compilation album, May told BBC radio.

Lead singer Mercury died of AIDS-related pneumonia in 1991. Four years later, Queen released *Made In Heaven*, their final studio album with the iconic frontman, painstakingly constructing some fresh songs from lines of vocals he left behind.

But May said more tapes in the vault had come to light.

"We found a few more tracks with Freddie singing and all of us playing, and they're quite beautiful, so people will be hearing this work towards the end of the year," the 66-year-old said.

"We're going to put out an album which probably is called *Queen Forever*, and it's a compilation, but it will have this new material which nobody in the world has ever heard. And I think people will really enjoy it."

In their current form, the songs do not have the bombastic Queen sound, but May and drummer Roger Taylor — bass-



Late Queen singer Freddie Mercury. **JEAN-CLAUDE COUTAUSSE/AFP**

ist John Deacon retired in 1997 — are giving them the band's trademark anthem touch.

"It wouldn't have been if we hadn't done this restoration job on it because you have to start from scratch really, because we only had scraps," May said. "But knowing how it would've happened if we'd finished it then, I can sit there and make it happen, with modern technology."

**AFP**

### Guardianship

## Judge dismisses case over Paul Walker's daughter

Los Angeles Superior Court Commissioner David J. Cowan dismissed a guardianship case over Meadow Rain Walker after hearing from Amy Nieman, an attorney appointed to represent the 15-year-old.

Nieman said Meadow

Walker's mother, Rebecca Soteros, has been spending time with her daughter while receiving treatment for alcoholism and is currently sober. She says the teenager is being cared for by a nanny who has helped raise Meadow Walker for roughly two years.

Paul Walker's mother petitioned for a guardianship over her granddaughter but asked to dismiss it, citing Meadow Walker's wishes. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

### Netflix

## Charlie Cox to play Daredevil

Online content platform Netflix has cast British actor Charlie Cox in the lead for its new production on Marvel's blind superhero. The 13-episode miniseries will arrive in 2015.

Cox is the first recruit for Netflix's new collection of four miniseries, each featuring a different Marvel

superhero. The platform plans to introduce its subscribers to Jessica Jones, Iron Fist and Luke Cage.

Daredevil battles injustice both during the day, as a lawyer named Matt Murdock, and at night as his superhero alter ego with hyper-developed senses. **AFP**



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## Miley to Billy Ray: A reality show wouldn't be the Best of Both Worlds

Oh, how the tables have turned. While Miley Cyrus got her start in entertainment thanks to the guidance of dad Billy Ray Cyrus, it now looks like she's advising him on his career decisions. "Billy Ray has turned down what must be his sixth reality show offer in the last four years because Miley has been very strict with her parents about not doing them, even though they have been offered a fortune by all the big players, including Bravo, Lifetime and

E!, to open up their home to cameras," a source tells Radar Online. "Miley would much rather do a Christmas special or a concert at the Hollywood Bowl with her dad rather than watch him embarrass himself like Bruce Jenner on TV every week." Apparently the offers were getting lucrative enough to be very, very tempting, the source says. "But ultimately she was very thankful they came to an understanding that it would be a bad idea."

## Charlize Theron loving the single life at 38 years old

Charlize Theron has never been married and she couldn't be happier about it. "I'm sure some people would be like, 'I would never want to have that life.' I'm sure there's a lot of aspects to my life that a lot of people wouldn't want. Like the fact that I'm single at 38. That's not necessarily what a lot of women want," she tells Esquire U.K. "But I'm just saying, a life is good if it's the life that you want. I am living my life in a way that if tomorrow it ended — and I hope not, because I



Charlize Theron

have a kid — but if it did, this was the life that I really wanted to live. But I work at that, you know?"

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### The Word



## Uh oh! Video surfaces of 1D's Zayn and Louis smoking pot

MELINDA TAUB

Metro World News

Ah, a squeaky clean pop group's first big scandal. Someone put this in the photo album: Video surfaced this week of One Direction stars Louis Tomlinson and Zayn Malik smoking a joint in a van.

The Daily Mail has the full video. Louis, who's also the cameraman, says that the group are on their way out of Peru. Marijuana is not particularly legal in Peru, although possession of under eight ounces is decriminalized, and Louis makes clear that he knows what they're doing is not

exactly kosher. While filming their police motorcycle escort, Louis jokes, "He's having a look. He's thinking, 'I'm sure I can smell an illegal substance in there,' and he's hit the nail on the head."

Zayn, on the other hand, is a less chatty stoner. He doesn't say much, just smokes, and beams, and chants "Mary J. Blige" in falsetto.

So world, are we going to be shocked by this? I know it's illegal and all, but at this point it's barely illegal most places. I think I'd be more shocked if two teenish dudes weren't smoking pot than if they were. Plus, they just seem so very proud to be Big Boys Doing Drugs that it's a little hard to stay mad at their cute little faces. I imagine those same faces have gotten them out of every scrape they've ever been in. OK, now I'm getting mad again.



Denise Richards

## Denise Richards house-hunting after Charlie Sheen kicks her out of her home

Denise Richards and her children are apparently on the hunt for new digs after ex-husband Charlie Sheen reportedly kicked them out of the house in which they'd been living and sold it to a friend, according to the National Enquirer. Sheen initially purchased the home for Richards, but his lawyers "have been working with

Denise on vacating the premises," a source says. "Charlie has wanted Denise out of the gated community — where he also lives — for months, and his porn star fiancée, Brett Rossi, has been pushing for it, too." Sheen and Richards have been clashing lately over child support and how much time Sheen can spend with the children they share.

### Twitter



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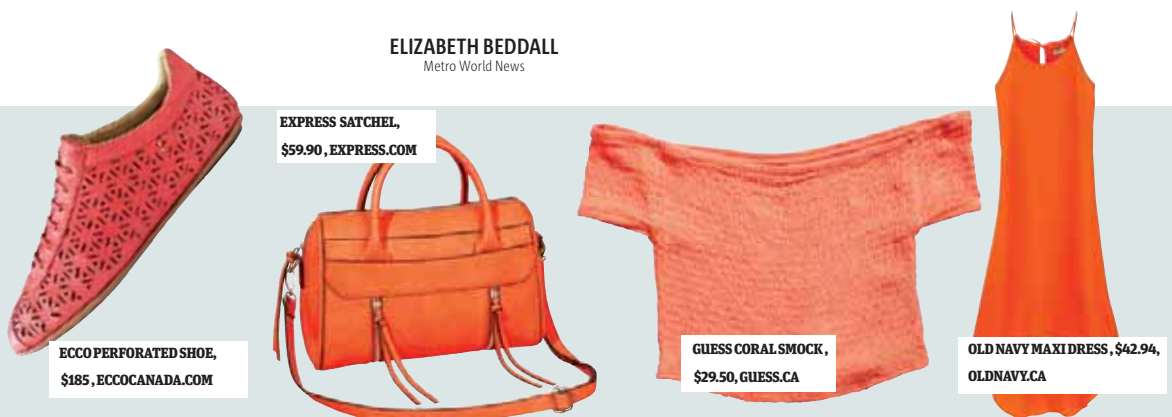


# Spring, how I love hue so

We've got you covered this season in the brightest and boldest the rainbow has to offer, as oranges and blues tie for first place as fashion's dominant tones for the warmer weather

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1. In a large flat container with

### Ingredients

- 1 medium eggplant, about 1 lb (500 g)

#### Marinade

- 2 tbsp olive oil
- 2 garlic cloves, minced
- 1/4 cup (60 ml) white wine
- 2 tbsp white balsamic vinegar or vegetable stock
- 2 tsp toasted cumin seeds
- 1 tsp smoked paprika
- 1/2 tsp dried tarragon
- 1/4 - 1/2 tsp chili flakes
- salt and ground black pepper, to taste

#### Chive Butter

- 1/4 cup (60 ml) finely chopped fresh chives
- 2 tbsp finely chopped shallots
- 1/2 cup (125 ml) vegan margarine

#### To Assemble

- 4 long baguette-style rolls
- 2 fresh ripe tomatoes, sliced
- 2 cups baby spinach



This recipe serves four. TRACEY KUSIEWICZ/FOODIE PHOTOGRAPHY.

a resealable lid or in a large zip-close bag, combine all marinade ingredients.

2. Cut eggplant in half lengthwise, then into 16 1/4-inch (6-mm) wide strips. Place eggplant slices in bag with marinade and toss to coat. Marinate for at least 1 hour (longer is better). Turn after 30 minutes.

3. In a small bowl, combine chive butter ingredients. Cover and chill until required.

4. Preheat barbecue to high (or

broiler, if using oven) and grill eggplant slices for 20 minutes, turning as required until both sides are golden and a little caramelized. While grilling, split rolls lengthwise and lightly toast if desired.

5. Spread rolls with chive butter. Place tomato slices, greens, and red onions on 1 side of each sandwich. Top each with 4 slices of grilled eggplant.

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There is something about eating outside, so it's no surprise that al fresco dining is becoming popular.

In *Vegan al fresco*, Carla Kelly prepares elegant vegan dishes for outdoor dining. The book includes prep and cooking times, advice on portability, and menu suggestions for special occasions.

Split into sections such as Sandwiches and Spreads, On the Grill, and Ready Built Salads, it includes recipes for Samosa Spring Rolls, Creamy Macaroni Salad, Chickpea Sausages, Hazelnut Latte Cupcakes and more. **METRO**

## For your phone

Seafood Watch (iPhone/iPad/Android; free)



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Before you order, make sure the restaurant is serving ocean-friendly fish or sushi. This often-updated guide from the Monterey Bay Aquarium lists the status and farming practices for popular species.



1. In a large flat container with a resealable lid or in a large zip-close bag, combine juice, rum, mint, agave, oil, garlic, lime zest, and salt. Add tofu and marinate in refrigerator for at least 1 hour, turning after 30 minutes.

## Ingredients

- 1/4 cup (60 ml) + 2 tbsp fresh lime juice
- 1/4 cup (60 ml) light rum
- 1/4 cup (60 ml) chopped mint

- 1 1/2 tbsp agave
- 1 tbsp canola oil
- 2 garlic cloves, minced
- 2 tsp lime zest

- 1/2 tsp salt
- 1 lb (500 g) extra-firm regular tofu, drained and pressed, sliced widthwise into 12 rectangles

2. Preheat barbecue to medium heat. Lay down

a sheet of aluminum foil lightly brushed with oil.

Grill for 3–4 minutes each side until golden, basting

frequently with leftover marinade.

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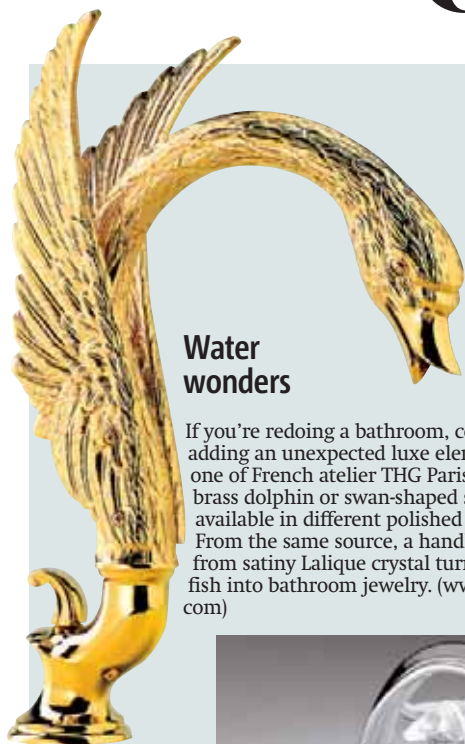
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This year's design shows, such as NY Now and the Architectural Digest Home Design Show, have featured eye-catching pieces by designers and artists who take elements from nature and give them glamorous makeovers. We're seeing lots of metallic paint, tweaked shapes and polished finishes. The resulting art and furniture pieces can be as stunning as the inspiration from which they're drawn

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# Glamorous nature



## Water wonders

If you're redoing a bathroom, consider adding an unexpected luxe element like one of French atelier THG Paris' solid-brass dolphin or swan-shaped spouts, available in different polished finishes. From the same source, a handle crafted from satiny Lalique crystal turns a starfish into bathroom jewelry. (www.thgusa.com)



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## Light fantastic

Corbett Lighting has the Fathom LED pendant fixture formed of dozens of crystal circles held together with white metal and stainless steel, evoking a stunning bubble full of bubbles. Here, too, is the Rockstar pendant, which incorporates slivers of striated golden-hued agate edged with gold leaf. (www.corbettlighting.com )

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## Farm charm

Eric and Christopher — Eric Fausnacht and Christopher Kline — Bucks County, Penn., artists create whimsical screen prints and throw pillows by manipulating photographs of farm animals, such as this goat, that reside on Fausnacht's farm. The charm may lie in the fact that the animal photos are rendered in subdued black and white, which gives them a certain artistic gravitas, yet the animals' personalities are amusingly apparent.



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## Metal menagerie

At Z Gallerie, you'll find a menagerie of faux creatures cast in resin and finished with silver or gold: a herd of galloping horses; a slithering cobra; an octopus. There also are pretty, silvered-bamboo picture frames embellished with little bevelled-mirror butterflies. Nickel-trimmed polished horn is crafted into the curvy Cheyenne accent table. The Antler side table's realistic legs are cast in heavy-duty aluminum and then textured, just like the real thing. (www.zgallerie.com)



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# Extend indoor decor outdoors for seamless summer living

## Patio, deck or yard. Making connections between inside and outside adds design flair

With the sun shining and weather warming up, most homeowners want to spend more time outside on their patios and decks. But instead of just putting up an umbrella and calling it a day, Larry Myers recommends homeowners consider their outdoor space as an extension of their interior.

Myers, designer and owner of Victoria's Alfresco Living Design, says his philosophy when it comes to creating outdoor living spaces is seeing a patio or deck that looks like any other room in the house.

### Go with the flow

"I think there should be very smooth transitions and continuity between indoor and outdoor spaces," says Myers. "There should be efficiency and good flow to support people moving and navigating between the spaces."

Whether it is a smaller condo deck or a large home patio, Myers starts by looking inside for how someone has chosen to lay out the interior and the views of windows to the outside.

"I look at the interior decor and the residential architecture, and I try to bring those attributes that connect spaces from architectural to personal style," he says.

### Think big

Regardless of the space, Myers says the main thing people overlook when creating their outdoor living space is the scale of the area.

"The tendency for most people is to underscale," he says. "People should look at scale and how things properly fit into the space, and I think that is one of the mistakes people usually make, is that they underscale."

Myers says people also don't usually deal with the vertical spaces.

"It's about using the space to its fullest," he says.

### Create backyard rooms

Like Myers, Candace Mal-

lette, landscape designer and owner of Candace Mallette Landscape and Garden Design in the Ottawa area, says homeowners should approach their backyard as they would a house by creating rooms that serve different functions.

"Design your yard into rooms," she says. "You could create an area where you'd barbecue, a service area tucked away that isn't vis-

ually where you'd see with your clothes line and shed, and then maybe a patio for dining with a small reading area. If you put different rooms in your backyard that works really well."

### Keep it private

While the actual design and layout of an outdoor space can be difficult, Mallette says one of the biggest concerns

she addresses from homeowners is around privacy.

The position and size of many residential lots means many homeowners are dealing with neighbours on either side, and Mallette says a raised deck can decrease privacy by creating the feeling that a homeowner is too exposed when they are enjoying their outdoor space.

"One of the solutions we came up for clients with concerns about privacy is that

we try to encourage them to go with a patio right down on the ground because you aren't raised up feeling like you're on display," she says.

"A patio that is low to the ground also creates more of an intimate space. If the deck is already created and it is a large deck, we do try to encourage people to do an easy fix like large planters in groups. Large tall tropical palms can almost create a screen or a wall that they can use." **THE CANADIAN PRESS**



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Homeowners can create functional and beautiful outdoor living spaces by treating the exterior like the interior, incorporating design elements from rooms in the home. LARRY MYERS/CONTRIBUTED/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

## How does your balcony grow?



Potted plants are a perfect way to brighten tight places. ISTOCK

## Even a small outdoor space can be turned into an oasis

Beautiful outdoor living spaces aren't just limited to those with big backyards. David Amodeo, owner of Empire Landscaping and Garden Services in Victoria, B.C., says any balcony or patio can be transformed into an outdoor oasis by adding a few things.

"Lots of people like artificial grass so they can

take their socks and shoes off," he says. "Potted plants work very well on balconies."

"Herb gardens, leafy greens, strawberries, blueberries and tomatoes are just a small sample of what food grows well on balconies provided it gets some sun, and even without any sun you can use hostas or ferns." **THE CANADIAN PRESS**



Home maven Martha Stewart speaks today at the Art Of Leadership for Women Conference in Toronto on the good things that inspire her, how to create a work/life balance and more. Prior to her visit to Canada she spoke with Metro Design Centre columnist Karl Lohnes about living in small spaces and ideas for making the inside and out not only attractive, but functional.

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# Martha Stewart talks small spaces

**KL: If you only had a small outdoor space, would you use it for taking sun and lounging — or eating and entertaining?**

MS: Oh, for dining. After dining you can always lounge around. I would definitely have a way to cook outside; there are such fabulous small cooking devices for outside now — very small hibachis that don't take up any space.

You could have two or three small ones that could be stored under a counter when not in use. They don't require large amounts of charcoal and you can cook very nicely on those. I love the clay hibachis with clay bases that you can cook on and they are pretty to look at and they can sit right on top of a table.

If charcoal was not permitted, there are always small electric outdoor grills to consider. I'd have a slate or stone table top so you didn't have to worry about the heat.

I would have comfortable outdoor dining chairs and ottomans; the ottomans could pull up to the table in order to create more seating when needed, and they are comfortable. Plus, then the ottomans

**Martha says**

**"The new way of decorating is to edit what you have."**

can be pulled up to the dining chairs and turn them into a chaise for lounging around outside.

**Martha says**

**"Don't feel you have to live with everything..."**

**KL: What are some tricks to help expand the inside to the outside during really nice weather?**

MS: I do that all the time when the weather gets nice; open the doors and live onto the porch. I have a porch on every one of my houses so I can easily open up the house when the weather is nice.

One thing that I am dying to do is to incorporate a fireplace onto a porch. This would lengthen the amount of time that could be spent outside once the summer season comes to an end. Outdoor carpets, lamps and pillows are an excellent way to make your outside space feel exactly like the inside of your home.

**KL: How can we create a sense of privacy on our outdoor spaces?**

MS: Most balconies have privacy from above and below but to create privacy from people looking across, you could hang bamboo shades — the roll up-ones that would be very nice to let down, also for

sun protection on a hot sunny day. They look outdoorsy and appropriate and when they roll up they disappear.

**KL: What are a few ideas to help make a small space feel larger inside?**

MS: Well, edit your furniture ... The new way of decorating is by editing what you have. Get rid of the extraneous,

so pretty. They filter the light and make every room feel very serene.

I suggest ordering them the same colour as your walls to create a calm, monochromatic look.

Mirrors can be just as nice as art; if you hang one at the end of a small room it will make it look twice as big. Everyone knows that trick!



**...who knows a guy who grew up with a woman who has a grandma...**

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such as tchotchkes, extra chairs, junk on the tables, curtains. Simplify window treatments. I have beautiful translucent pull-down shades throughout my entire house in Bedford — no curtains or heavy treatments. They are

**KL: How would you tackle an overstuffed, unorganized bedroom closet?**

MS: Editing is the key: Make sure you have at least one organized closet installed somewhere in your apartment. An armoire can be retrofitted to



A modest proposal: Martha Stewart says the new way of decorating is by editing what you have. CONTRIBUTED

**Martha says**

**"Make sure you have at least one organized closet..."**

hold a lot of accessories. If you are lucky to have a small storage room, den or nook you could outfit that into a closet as well. Our design team works very hard on the closet organizing systems at Home Depot to give people all sorts of wonderful ideas for storage and organizing tools that can help create tidy and attractive closet space. Also consider storing out-of-season items elsewhere. Don't feel that you have live with everything cramping a small apartment.

**KL: What would be the most**

**effective storage options to incorporate into a small kitchen reno?**

MS: I love the narrow filler pull-out cupboards that help store spices, cooking oils, canned goods in a very slim space. They are installed between cupboards and drawer units. They're a wonderful way to utilize every square inch of available space in a tiny kitchen. A deep 24-inch cupboard unit should be installed over the refrigerator; they make a great place to hide away large trays, serving bowls or occasional small appliances. I use up every single bit of wall space in my kitchen for storage. I love open shelving for the everyday cups, saucers, bowls, and all the most used cooking items like jars of flour and sugar. This is useful and can also look pretty if you are organized.



## Dine out on double-duty

Ultra-comfortable dining chairs offer double-duty for lounging. Charlotte-town Chair with Cushions, \$199, HomeDepot.ca



## Bamboo's got it made in the shade

Roll-up bamboo blinds are a natural way to add privacy and sun protection to a small outdoor porch or balcony.



## Rack up spice space savings

Space-saving pull-out spice rack fits comfortably between cabinets and drawers. Martha Stewart kitchens; HomeDepot.ca



# Pros dish dirt on how to get the most from your garden

## Cream of the crop. Small garden? Limited water? Try these horticultural tips to help plot thicken

How can you get the most yield from a garden where space is limited, and water is too?

Plant smart, and pay attention to the soil.

"Your garden is only as

good as your soil," says David Salman, chief horticulturist at High Country Gardens, a Santa Fe, N.M., catalogue that specializes in native and low-water plants.

Find out what nutrients your soil has, and what it's missing, with a soil test. Labs across the country offer this service.

Encourage plant health by fertilizing with natural, organic fertilizers, which include fish emulsion and liquid seaweed, says Salman.

Limit the use of chemical fertilizers because they don't help build the soil.

"You will have more nutritionally complete vegetables if you have healthy soil," he promises.

### Healthy soil trick

One trick Salman recommends, especially for gardeners living in new housing developments, is adding a soil inoculant called mycorrhiza, a beneficial fungi. It's found

naturally in healthy soil, but often needs to be added to a new garden.

"New gardens in new subdivisions, their soil is scraped off as part of construction," says Salman. "You need to put beneficial fungi back in."

Peas, beans and soybeans could benefit from legume inoculants, which are species-specific (a soybean inoculant cannot be used to improve peas' growth). Read product labels carefully or ask your

gardening centre for assistance.

"Your beans will do OK (without it), but if you really want to crank out the beans, you can do that with the inoculant," says Salman. "It's kind of a 'grandma's secret' to growing great beans."

### Vine and dandy

Plants that can offer high yields with low watering include leafy vegetables such as kale, lettuce and spinach; beans, snow peas and sugar snap peas; and some varieties of cucumbers and squash, he says.

Plant vining beans and peas if you have space or can grow them up a fence or trellis; plant bush beans and peas in large pots if space is limited.

Sarah J. Browning, an extension educator for the University of Nebraska-Lincoln, suggests planting radishes, carrots, peppers, zucchini and summer squash for summertime bounty.

Peppers grow well in dry conditions, says Browning, and root crops such don't need frequent watering.

### Mulch for moisture

"If you watered them well and then mulched them, I think you could get a crop with fairly small amounts of water input," she says.

Plant radishes early in the season or in part shade, and mulch them and other plants to retain moisture and combat weeds.

Browning recommends the cherry tomato cultivar Sun Gold and the slicers Big Beef and Celebrity as great-tasting high producers.

Also look for disease-resistant tomato varieties, which are easier to grow. Browning refers tomato lovers to Pennsylvania State University's Col-

### Cutting-edge blooms

Drought-tolerant flower varieties include cone-flowers, hummingbird mint, salvia and blanket flowers, according to Melissa Ozawa. Other cutting-garden winners are cosmos, zinnias, sunflowers and larkspur, says David Salman. His favourite late-season bloomer is the Mexican sunflower.

- "If there's a bee or butterfly in a 10-mile radius, they'll find that Mexican sunflower," he says.

lege of Agricultural Sciences Extension's "Tomato Report 2011," which lists the best varieties in its tomato trials.

Melissa Ozawa, a features editor for gardening at Martha Stewart Living magazine, recommends growing okra and Swiss chard; both are heat- and drought-tolerant. Melons also can handle less water once established because of their deep root systems, she says.

### Read seed packets

Not all vegetables grow well in all regions, so read seed packets, matching days to maturation to your region's growing season, Salman advises.

"One of the big problems with horticulture in this country is everyone tries to be one-size-fits-all, and this is just too big a continent to do that," he says.

"You don't want to grow a 120-day watermelon in Denver."

"They can grow those in Texas, but the maturation period in Denver is much shorter."

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Herbs that grow best in a small or water-wise garden include basil, oregano, parsley, thyme and rosemary, says Sarah J. Browning, an extension educator for the University of Nebraska-Lincoln, who also suggests planting radishes, carrots, peppers, zucchini and summer squash for summertime bounty.

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### Herb your enthusiasm

Prolific, water-wise herbs include basil, oregano, parsley, thyme and rosemary, says Sarah J. Browning.

- David Salman offers space-saving planting tips for herbs: Plant lavender and oregano along the dryer edges of your garden, since they're the most heat-tolerant, and plant
- Try growing perennials such as rosemary, English thyme, tarragon and lavender in your ornamental beds. They don't require your vegetable garden's mineral-rich soil, says Salman.

Greek oregano and dill, plus annual herbs such as basil and cilantro, among the root vegetables.

## Make a green sweep

A National Park Service worker tends to the White House kitchen garden on the South Lawn of the White House in Washington, in the photo at the right, during a preview for the media of the Spring Garden Tour.

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## Consumer Reports. The state of smart home products is disappointing

### Vulnerable to hackers

First and foremost, the publication is concerned about the added vulnerability of connecting devices such as door locks and lights to a home's Wi-Fi network. A good hacker or a bad password is potentially all it would take to gain entry to a connected home.

The influential U.S. publication is less than impressed with most connected home and smart appliances, including the market's current poster child, the Nest learning thermostat.

Consumer Reports put a host of connected home products through their paces to find out which ones are easy to use and reliable, which ones need improving, and which ones should be avoided altogether.

And the results will make

depressing reading for anyone involved in the smart home market.

The in-depth report, which also thoroughly reviews and rates a number of individual products on sale, is critical of the Nest thermostat and the Nest Protect smoke alarm because according to existing users they are still "buggy" and problematic.

The conclusion appears to be that the market and the products on offer are still both at a very immature stage and

### Well connected

## \$50

One of the few products it does recommend is the Connected by TCP light system, which for \$50 will allow users to remotely control and manage the lighting in their home.

therefore it's too early for the majority of consumers to take a gamble on a smart or connected home device. **AFP**



Connected home devices are still at an immature stage, according to a recent report. LOLOSTOCK/SHUTTERSTOCK.COM

# Will the Butterfleye take flight?

**Crowdfunding clever camera.** Smart Butterfleye senses when to take pictures, making it a promising home security device

Equal parts guard dog and personal photographer, it's a camera with a quirky name that is focused as much on home security and peace of mind as it is on life logging, and its creators are hoping it can crowd fund its way into consumers' homes.

As a proposition, the Butterfleye is quite clever as it manages to tap into a number of emerging consumer tech trends: the quantified self, smart homes, life logging and

the selfie. And of course, there's an app involved.

A small, wireless, battery-powered stills and video camera with some clever algorithms and technologies running in the background, the Butterfleye is there to inconspicuously and automatically capture all of those Kodak moments that life throws forth. No need to reach for the DSLR, camcorder or smartphone, the Butterfleye "recognizes" when something's happening and starts snapping.

It also eradicates the current photo-based problems of group shots that are always missing one person — the one holding the camera; and worse still, the posed shots when the camera is on a timer and everyone has 10 seconds to get into position.

The Butterfleye's shots should always be clear and in



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focus, too. It packs a proximity sensor, has facial recognition for pulling focus, and is calibrated to shoot in low light

without a flash.

The stills and HD videos it captures are saved to its internal disk and can also be uploaded to the cloud. The device's makers will be offering cloud storage as an optional extra when the camera officially goes on sale in 2015.

But regardless of where the snaps are saved, using the supporting iPhone app makes it easy to view and download them again and of course to

share them via any number of social networks.

The device is already available for pre-order via the company's site for \$149, an early adopter special price, \$50 less than its planned retail price.

As well as snagging pre-orders that won't be fulfilled for another 12 months, Butterfleye will also be looking to crowd-funding to bring the device to the masses and to increase awareness. **AFP**

### I spy with my Butterfleye

Where the Butterfleye could come into its own is as a surveillance and remote communication device.

- Users can get a live video feed of what's happening at home simply by launching the smartphone app, no matter where in the world they are.
- "Butterfleye gives you instant access to what's going on in your home no matter where you are. It will not only send you pictures and videos that you can share via social media, but will allow you to take a live look inside your home whenever you want, giving you peace of mind that your loved ones and valuables are safe," said Ben Nader, founder and CEO, Butterfleye.
- The same technology that helps the camera recognize when an exciting social happening is unfolding also helps it understand when to snap into action as a surveillance device. Rather than filming constantly day and night, its learning software enables it to understand when

people are at home and when they're out.

- Its sensors mean that the camera automatically starts snapping and filming again when a person or a pet enters a room that was empty. The device can also be triggered when it registers certain sounds.
- And in terms of audio, it can be used for two-way communication. So, like with a long-distance intercom, a user can tune in and talk to and see the rest of the family if stuck in traffic or away on business. And the same goes for uninvited guests. You can ask an intruder what they're doing in your lounge from a safe distance.
- This intelligence that allows it to sit dormant or spring into action means that the battery should last a full two weeks between charges and also means that like a smartphone or camera, it could conceivably be used on the go — say in the garden or at a picnic. Just sit it in a good position and focus on having fun.

### Master of surveillance

**"Butterfleye gives you instant access to what's going on in your home no matter where you are."**

Ben Nader, founder and CEO, Butterfleye



Butterfleye, the smart, social and connected camera and its smartphone app make a novel home security system. BUSINESS WIRE



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# Outdoor rugs more stylish than ever

## The outdoor floor.

Weave a summer spell with colourful runners and natural grass rugs



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An outdoor rug can offer more than just comfort underfoot. It can also lighten, brighten and freshen up a dull outdoor space. Fashioned after indoor styles, an outdoor rug can help make your adjoining outdoor space's decor reflect your indoor style — a great way to extend the feeling of your home during warm weather months.

**Size:** Choose a size of rug that helps to define a sitting area. As in choosing an area rug for the inside of your home, make sure the front legs of your patio furnishings sit on the rug. This will create the perimeter of your outdoor room no matter how large your outdoor space.

**Shape:** On a small or squared-shaped deck, consider using a round rug to add a soft line to the outdoor seating space. Consider runner-length carpets for long skinny balconies or a series of square rugs to help define various small areas on the balcony.

**Colour:** A fashionably coloured rug will help to add personality and create a focal point in a space without a view or other focus.

Neutral and less colourful rugs are perfect to tie a seating plan together without taking away from colourful furnishings.

**Materials:** Most outdoor rugs are made of synthetic fibres like olefin or polyester and plastic. There are also natural grass weave rugs. These are most suited for covered areas such as balconies or porches.

Although made for outdoors, never dismiss the idea of using an outdoor rug inside your home if you need a durable and affordable carpet. Children's rooms, arts and crafts areas and busy entry-



Juice up the patio with a shot of orange for the summer months. Miami Lattice Outdoor Rug, 5 x 8 ft., \$69, [UrbanBarn.com](http://UrbanBarn.com). ALL PHOTOS CONTRIBUTED

## Floor 'em with groovy Union Jack design



Keep calm and confuse your house guests about where they are. Fun and bold Union Jack Outdoor Jockey Red 96 x 120 in. rug, \$471, [HomeDepot.ca](http://HomeDepot.ca).

## Try the round carpet treatment

Add some curve to a boxy-looking patio. Courtyard 6 ft. 7 in. round rug, Natural Terra, \$222, [eCarpetGallery.com](http://eCarpetGallery.com).



ways are just a few areas that would fare well with an attractive yet durable carpet.

If planning a special dinner party outside, why not bring

your inside rug out and use it for the night? Remembering to bring it inside at the end of the party is most likely the hardest part.



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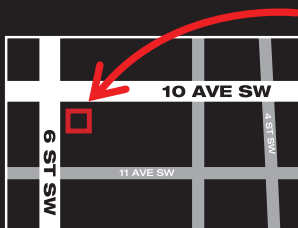
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Aaron Hernandez

## Spilled drink led to 2012 murders: Prosecutors

Prosecutors say former New England Patriots tight end Aaron Hernandez gunned down two men in their car in 2012 after one of them accidentally bumped into him at a Boston nightclub, spilling a drink.

Hernandez pleaded not guilty in Suffolk Superior Court Wednesday afternoon in the shooting deaths of Daniel de Abreu and Safiro Furtado. A third man was wounded.

Prosecutors say Hernandez became agitated and told a friend that de Abreu had deliberately bumped him. Prosecutors say Hernandez later tracked down de Abreu and his friends and opened fire on their car from an SUV.

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MLB

## Blue Jays make it 9 straight vs. Rays

The Toronto Blue Jays extended their winning streak to nine games Wednesday night with a 3-2 walk-off victory over the Tampa Bay Rays at Rogers Centre.

With pinch-runner Kevin Pillar aboard after Dioner Navarro opened the bottom of the ninth with a single, Anthony Gose dropped a nice bunt down the first-base line. Reliever Juan Carlos Oviedo (1-1) threw wide to first and Pillar came all the way around to score the winning run.

The American League East-leading Blue Jays improved to 32-22, while the Rays fell to 23-31.

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Blackhawks centre Michal Handzus scores on Kings goalie Jonathan Quick in double overtime on Wednesday night at United Center in Chicago.

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# Hawks' Handzus divine in overtime

**NHL playoffs.** Centre's winner sends West final series back to L.A.

Michal Handzus scored at 2:04 of the second overtime, and the Chicago Blackhawks beat the Los Angeles Kings 5-4 in Game 5 on Wednesday night to stay alive in the Western Conference final.

Brandon Saad made a nice pass to the middle to Handzus, who beat goalie Jonathan Quick with a backhand for his second goal of the playoffs.

Game 5	
5	4
Blackhawks	Kings

Handzus celebrated by jumping against the boards behind the net as the sellout United Center crowd of 21,871 roared.

Saad had a goal and two assists for the defending Stanley Cup champions, who stopped a three-game losing streak. Pat-

rick Kane set a playoff career high with four assists.

Game 6 is Friday night in Los Angeles.

Marian Gaborik and Dustin Brown each had a goal and an assist for the Kings, who led 4-3 after two periods. It was Gaborik's NHL-best 11th playoff goal. Quick and Chicago's Corey Crawford each stopped 40 shots.

Los Angeles was in position to advance to its second Stanley Cup final in three years before Ben Smith drove to the net and beat Quick on a rebound 1:17 into the third. Smith's goal set the stage for a

frantic finish.

Kings centre Jarret Stoll was sent off for tripping with 3:11 left in regulation, giving the Blackhawks a prime opportunity to move in front. Quick stopped Kane on a big slapshot, and then turned away Bryan Bickell in front to keep the game tied at 4.

Quick made another solid stop on Marian Hossa in overtime, and the loose puck was swept away. Kings star Anze Kopitar had a chance to win it about nine minutes into the first OT but his shot went off the side of the net.

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# Canadians smashing French Open

## Tennis. Raonic, Bouchard advance to third round of tournament

Milos Raonic bounced back from a troublesome first match and Eugenie Bouchard overcame a worrying first set as Canada's top singles tennis players drew on mental toughness to advance to the third round of the French Open.

Bouchard managed a 2-6, 6-2, 6-1 come-from-behind win over German Julia Goerges on Wednesday, while eighth-seeded Raonic beat Czech Jiri Vesely 7-6 (4), 6-4, 6-1 to reach the third round for a third consecutive year.

Raonic, from Thornhill.

Ont., came back from a break down in the first set and won the hour-long opener in a tie-break before taking control of the match.

Raonic said he is noticing signs of improvement on court after struggling somewhat in his opening match, a 6-3, 7-6, 6-3 win over Australian qualifier Nick Kyrgios.

"I feel like I'm playing better today than I did three days ago, I think I dealt a little bit better with when I got things figured out as far as intensity," he said.

Raonic's third-round opponent is 29th seed Gilles Simon of France, who will have a partisan crowd behind him.

"It's going to be tough," Ration said.

Raonic and Simon have only faced one another once before.

with Raonic winning on clay at the 2011 Estoril Open in Portugal.

Bouchard struggled in the first set before rallying to join Raonic in the third round.

"I wasn't worried after the first, I just took my time," said Bouchard. "I just really tried to forget about that I lost the first set and just start fresh. That's what I did for the second and third."

The 18th seed from Montreal will play Swede Johanna Larsson, who upset 12th-seeded Italian Flavia Pennetta 5-7, 6-4, 6-2.

Bouchard said she stayed mentally strong.

"I have confidence that no matter what happens on the court, I can fight and still give my best and give myself the best chance to win," she said.

Bouchard broke the 107th-ranked Goerges to end the match, taking the victory with 21 winners and conversions on six of 13 break points.

Bouchard broke twice in the second set and began the third with another break of the German as she raced to a 5-0 lead. But she lost serve in the next



**Milos Raonic gets fired up during his second-round win at the French Open on Wednesday in Paris**

MATTHIAS HANGST/GETTY IMAGES

game after a forehand error.

She immediately recovered

a game later, breaking Goerges

back and advancing on her first

match point.

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**"It was definitely more of a mental win today to get my game back in the right place."**

**Eugenie Bouchard, two-time French Open participant,**  
on her victory after overcoming a weak start against Julia Goerges

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## Horoscopes

### Aries

March 21 - April 20

If you lose interest in what you are doing today it's a sign you are doing the wrong thing. A change of scene will help but in the long-term you may have to change your lifetime ambitions.

### Taurus

April 21 - May 21

You need to show your vulnerable side. Too often you give the impression that nothing can bring you down when, in reality, you are as sensitive as everyone else.

### Gemini

May 22 - June 21

You may be a bit touchy over the next 24 hours. With your ruler Mercury moving into sensitive Cancer if there is anything worrying you it is sure to show up. Don't try to avoid it.

### Cancer

June 22 - July 23

Social activities are under excellent stars today and the best way relax is to seek out people who think and act is similar ways to you. Looking for love? Find it with someone who shares your cultural interests.

### Leo

July 24 - Aug. 23

Your confidence will get a boost today and you will be a lot more relaxed about your social and professional status. One door may have closed to you but within a matter of days, another door will open.

### Virgo

Aug. 24 - Sept. 23

Money may be important to you but it must not be allowed to come ahead of more important things such as love and laughter. Don't think about what you own and earn, think about what motivates you.

### Libra

Sept. 24 - Oct. 23

If there has been a dispute, now is the time to patch things up. That applies to all areas of your life but especially to business issues. There's always a solution.

### Scorpio

Oct. 24 - Nov. 22

Your creative powers will be at their height over the next 24 hours, so make good use of them. Also, take your pleasures where you find them and don't listen to those who say you should be more cautious.

### Sagittarius

Nov. 23 - Dec. 21

You may have tasks to complete but now is not the time to get busy on them. As Venus, planet of harmony, moves into the wellbeing area of your chart today your best course of action is to take life easy.

### Capricorn

Dec. 22 - Jan. 20

Something you found difficult before will come easier to you today. You may still have to struggle in other areas but the planets will generally give your spirits a lift and help you believe that most things are possible.

### Aquarius

Jan. 21 - Feb. 19

Sometimes you get so caught up in making a living that you forget there are people who love you so much they don't care what you achieve. One such person will delight you.

### Pisces

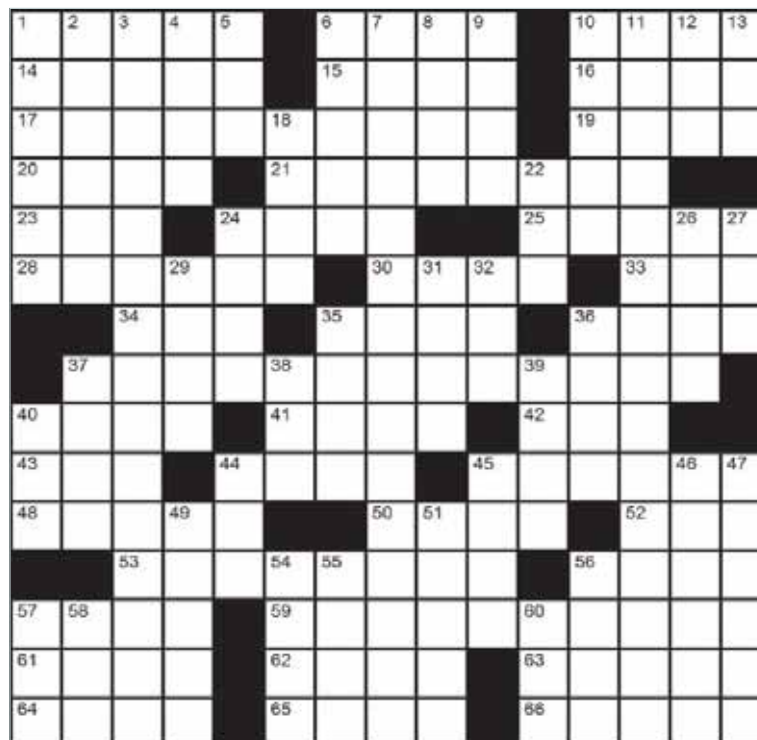
Feb. 20 - March 20

Don't worry that others might think less of you if you ease off. Worry only that if you don't take better care of yourself you might come to harm. The planets urge you to take things at a slower pace. **SALLY BROMPTON**

## Crossword: Canada Across and Down

### Across

1. Jubilant, poetry-style
6. Cole Porter's "Miss \_\_\_ Regrets"
10. Lemony
14. Prepares potatoes
15. Stethoscope sound
16. Ms. Sanders
17. Canada's 'Big Five' gig: 2 wds.
19. Rob Roy, for one
20. Alberta town
21. Canadian cartoon series, "My \_\_\_ Is Evil"
23. Bond
24. Manage
25. DQ's 'D'
28. Feels
30. Dry: Spanish
33. '\_\_\_' in Victoria
34. Spoil
35. "The Simpsons" bus driver
36. Slammer
37. Toronto-born singer/songwriter who has rocked with Legendary Hearts: 2 wds.
40. Funny lady Imogene
41. God: Latin
42. "Unbelievable" hitmakers
43. "Entourage" superagent
44. Espionage: Mata \_\_\_
45. Hurriedly depart again, say
48. Mountain chain
50. Dianetics guru, \_\_\_ Hubbard
52. Poetic preposition
53. Prepped the sewing needle



56. "Top \_\_\_ mornin' to you!"
57. Music's Ma
59. CTV series "Motive", for example: 2 wds.
61. "Lend me your \_\_\_ and I'll sing..." - The Beatles
62. Knee, medical-style

63. Try to unearth: 2 wds.
  64. Proofreading term
  65. Slumps
  66. Heavens
- Down**
1. Friary figures
  2. Net minder
  3. St. Lawrence, Newfoundland born

- journalist/writer: 2 wds.
4. Bugling beasts
5. 'Earn' ender (Sincere)
6. Low ship deck
7. First Canadian Place in Toronto is Canada's what?: 2 wds.
8. '50s series, "\_\_\_"

- Three Lives"
9. Feudal worker
10. "Battle of the Blades" champ Ms. Bonhomme
11. Some of the National Film Board's treasures: 2 wds.
12. Copacabana city
13. "Ka-boom!" stuff

18. Me-me-me's
22. Testimony-giver's oath: 2 wds.
24. Particle physics lab near Geneva
26. Staircase support
27. Posh wallet's lettering
29. Hall & Oates' "\_\_\_ Smile"
31. Quebec 'summers'
32. Scam
35. Terminer's court pal
36. Doorway part
37. Tropical island, when doubled
38. Ms. LeShan
39. Jukebox tune: "\_\_\_ Angel"
40. Vehicle variety
44. Lady
45. Took the bus
46. Canadian actress who plays Detective Angie Flynn on the show at #59-Across, Kristin \_\_\_
47. Dog training incentives
49. 1990 movie blockbuster
51. Romulus and \_\_\_
54. Hosp. heart recordings
55. Locale
56. "I have no money \_\_\_ on me." (Stolen wallet-person's conundrum)
57. Uh-huh
58. Cereal grass
60. Ike's Presidential monogram

## Yesterday's Crossword

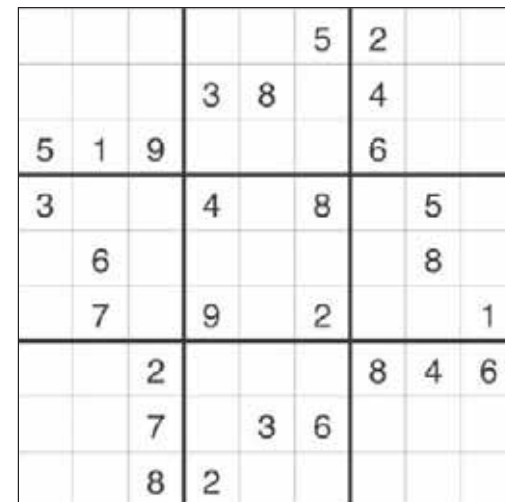


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## Yesterday's Sudoku



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